















...AS AN ORPHAN YOU HAVE TO FACE A LOT OF PROBLEMS ALONE, AND IT ISN'T EASY! YOU'VE GOT TO LEARN RIGHT FROM WRONG BY YOURSELF AND THEN BE STRONG ENOUGH TO RESIST WHAT'S BAD EVEN WHEN IT'S HARD TO DO! SUCCESS OR FAILURE DEPENDS ON YOU AND WHAT YOU'VE GOT INSIDE!





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ORPHANAGE! TOMMY WAS TEN
AND HIS BROTHER, JOE, WAS
EIGHT! TOMMY HAD
JUST BEEN ADOPTED
AND WAS LEAVING
THAT DAY!

WELL, JOE, I GUESS THIS IS IT!
MR. NEILSON IS WAITING FOR ME
AT THE OFFICE! TOO BAD HE
COULDN'T ADOPT US BOTH, BUT

TOMMY WAS SAYING GOODBYE

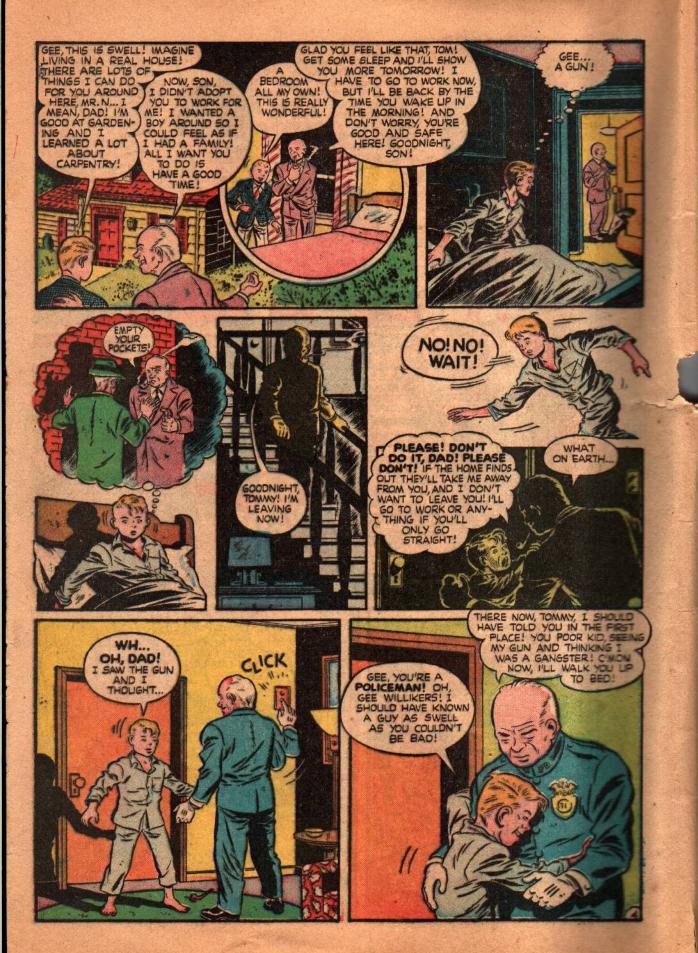
MAYBE I CAN COME
BACK AND VISIT
AW, THAT'S
ALRIGHT, TOM!
I UNDERSTAND, AND
ANYHOW WE'VE KINDA
GROWN APART HERE!
BEING DIFFERENT AGES,
WE LIVE IN SEPARATE
DORMITORIES AND SO
I'M USED TO BEING
AWAY FROM YOU! LET
ME KNOW HOW
YOU MAKE OUT
THOUGH!

SURE, I'LL DO THAT!
YOU REMEMBER MOM'S
LOCKET ? I BROKE IT
IN TWO, AND I WANT
YOU TO TAKE THIS HALF!
IT'S ALL WE HAVE LEFT
TO REMIND US OF OUR
FAMILY, SO TAKE
GOOD CARE OF IT!

WELL, SO
LONG, TOM, AND
LOTS OF
LUCK!





































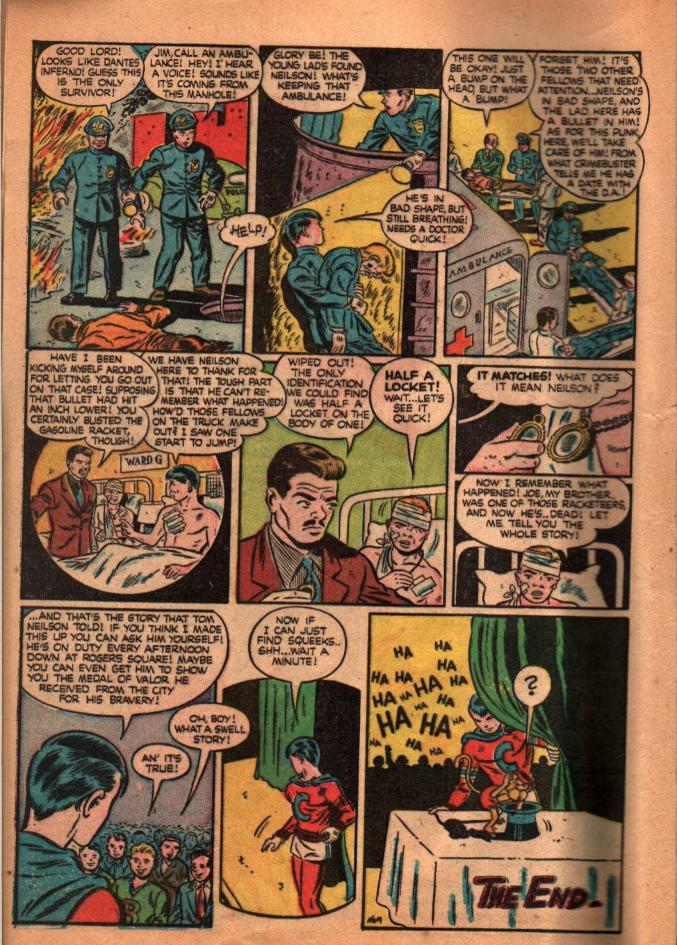


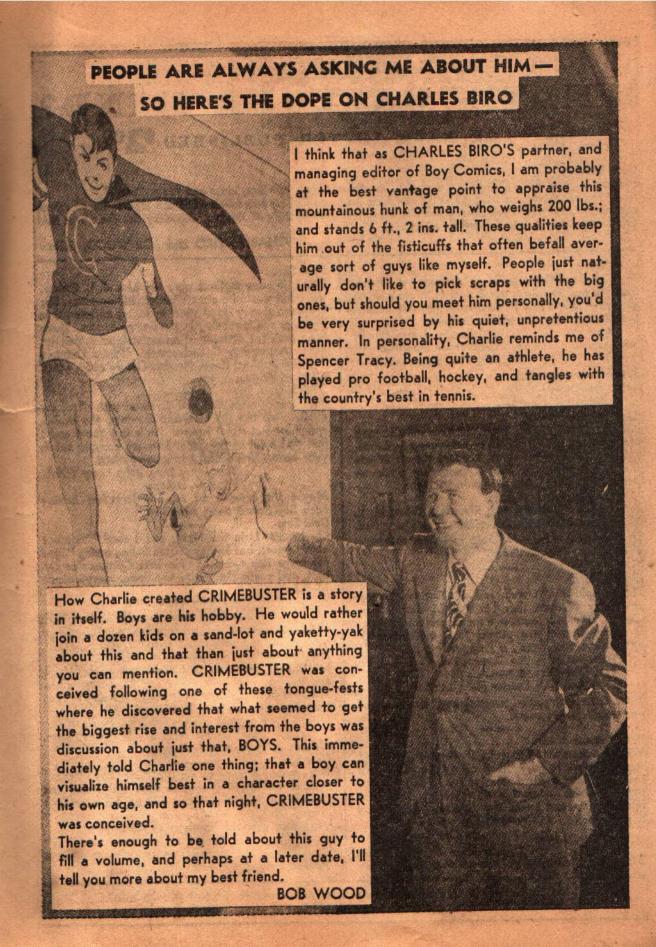












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Dear Reader:

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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

Dear Sirs:

Boy Comics delights us South Africans very much. I am inclined to take a great deal of interest in this particular magazine. I select only the best comics, and Oh boy! Boy Comics are the best.

Yours sincerely, James Prosser c/o The Brakpan Steel Foundry, Brakpan, TVL, South Africa

Letter makes big trip. Letter makes big hit.

Dear Editors:

Like all other American boys and girls, I like to read comic books, but Boy Comics tops 'em all. Crimebuster appeals to me most, because there's adven-ture, excitement, and real Americanism on every page. Thanks for some swell entertainment. Sincerely, Frank Lobe

3600 Fieldston Road, Riverdale, Bronx, N. Y. You're not born with Americanism; it's acquired. In our small way, we're helping others to appreciate this priceless heritage.

Dear Editors:

It's the opinion of myself, and all other members of the Army Barracks that I'm now in that in Boy Comics, we really escape from the rigors of Army life. Boy Comics are passed from bunk to bunk, and believe me, there's a long waiting list.

Yours for more Boy Comics, Pvt. C. E. Connors

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Your letter got passed around, and also received our unanimous approval.

Dear Editors:

When I was stricken with Infantile Paralysis, I learned what it means to have "Time on my hands." About the only thing I could do was read. Boy Comics topped my list for good, exciting stories. They were read, and re-read by all the children in the Boston hospital where I was confined.

> Yours truly, Jim McCarthy 15 Plymouth St., New Bedford, Mass.

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Dear Sirs:

I think if more mothers were like Mrs. J. L. Farlow. the world would be a more understanding place. She has been a very good sport in taking an interest in what her son is reading in the line of comics. There is an excellent example of an understanding mother.

A true Boy Comics reader, Richard Leibman 4 Ashford Road, Newton Centre #59, Mass.

Same credit goes to you.

Dear Sirs:

Boy Comics ranks first and foremost with all of my family. We like the clear-cut drawings, the stories, and the good moral lessons. I'm a Boy Scout and I find that a lot of the Scout laws are brought out in your pages. Boy Comics is tops-period!

Yours very truly, John Larry Wright

Winslow, Indiana

Maybe it's because we haven't forgotten having been Boy Scouts once, ourselves.

Dear Sirs:

My brother is in the Navy, and I send him many comic books, but he has written home, saying "Send me more Boy Comics." He likes Crimebuster the best, and reads them over and over, every chance he gets.

Yours truly, Helen Siko 340 Penn. Ave., Brooklyn 7, New York

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Sincerely yours, Freddy Mazzazlia 360 East Haverhill St., Lawrence, Mass.

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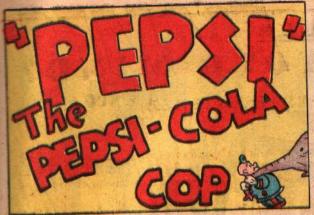
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We'll pass your comics along to the angels. Yours truly, Ted Sarahman

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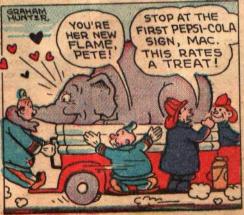




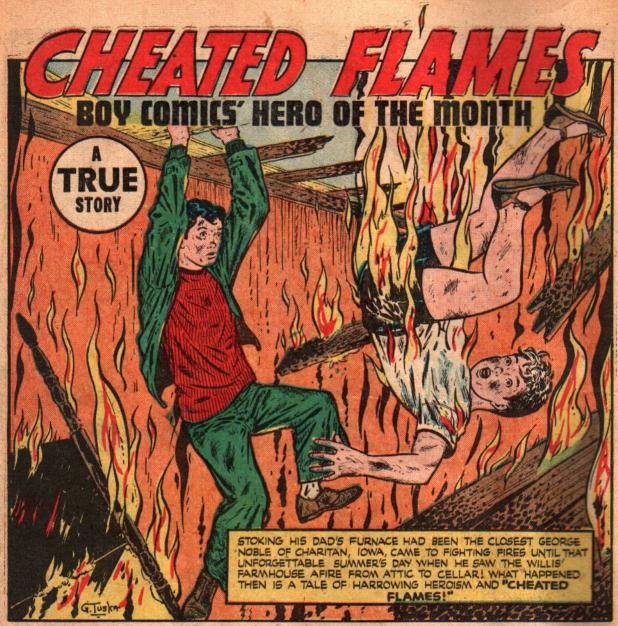


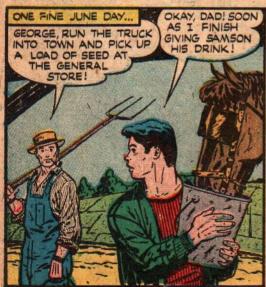


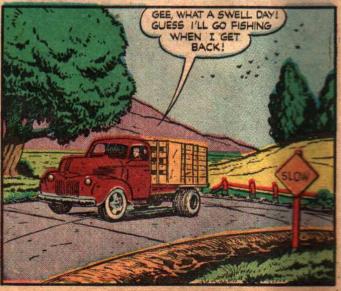


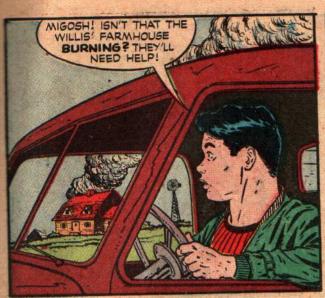
















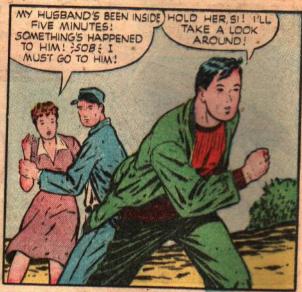




























































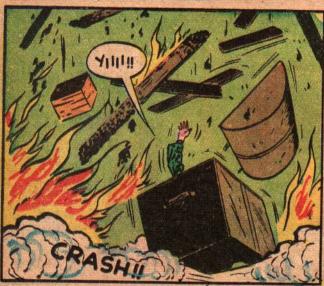






















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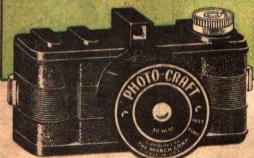
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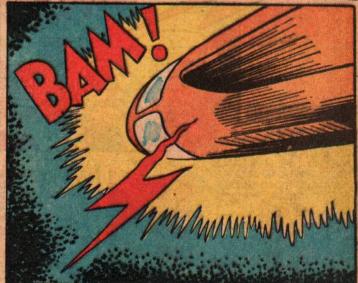


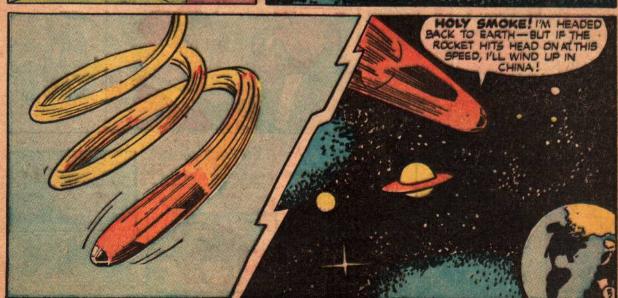


















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THAT WHEN FRANK LEROY CHANCE MANAGED THE CHICAGO CUBS HE ALWAYS INSISTED UPON SLEEPING IN BERTH "THIRTEEN"



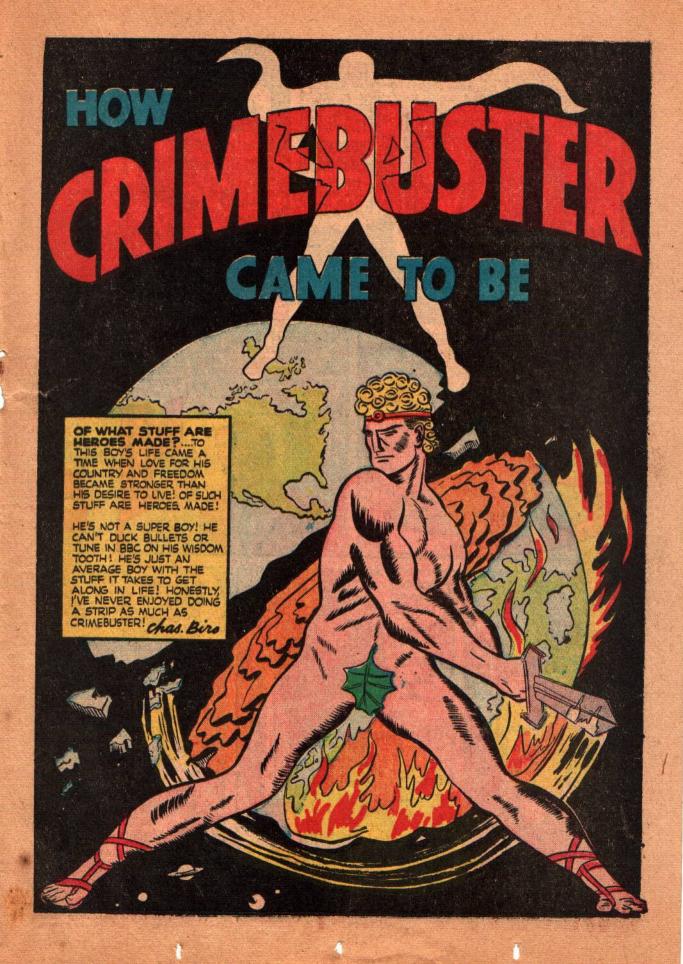
IT'S A FACT- IN THE UNITED STATES ONLY 25% OF THE MEN AND

WOMEN WHO ATTEMPT SUICIDE ARE





T'S TH' TRUTH~ DURING THE WAR THE
JAPS OUTLAWED BASEBALL NOW THEY ARE
GOING IN FOR IT
STRONGER THAN EVER!























YOU WILL NEGLECT
TO MENTION THE
SUBMARINE INCIDENTS!
INSTEAD, YOU WILL
READ FROM THIS
PAPER, PLEASE!

I HAVE NO
CHOICE! WHAT'S
THIS? HA, HA, HA!
YOU DON'T EXPECT
AMERICANS TO
BELIEVE SUCH
ROT!





AS AMERICA BREATHLESSLY WAITS, CHANDLER IS TORN BETWEEN HIS TWO GREATEST FORCES...THE LOVE OF HIS COUNTRY AND THE LOVE OF HIS WIFE!





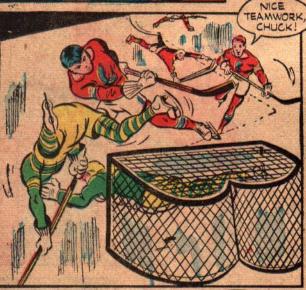


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H.HE WAS

RADIO! I'M SORRY,

YEAH. HEAR ABOUT CHANDLER'S FATHER? TOO BAD! HE DOESN'T KNOW IT



LISTEN, PIKE! MY EARS ME, AND NEITHER HAS THIS FIST! HAVE IT!

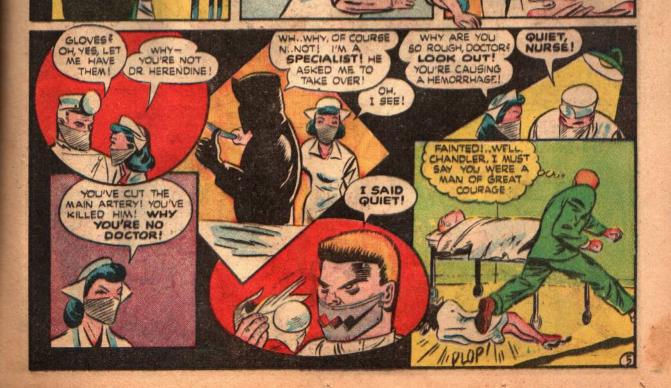


ARE YOU SHOT TONIGHT AT THE BROADCAST! IT CAME OVER THE GOING LIKE MONEYS

IT WOULD TO CHANGE !.. I'VE GOT SOME! I MAY NEED MORE! GIVE ME ALL YOU'VE GOT!



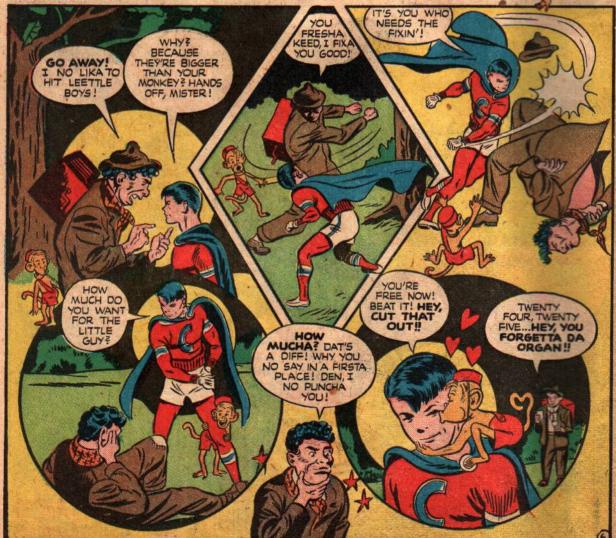




















THE NURSE SAID
HIS LOWER FACE WAS
IRON AND HE STOOD
ABOUT SIX FOUR! I'LL
KNOW HIM WHEN I
SEE HIM, AND SEE
HIM I WILL!! I THOUGHT
I TOLD YOU TO
BEAT IT!



I MIGHT AS WELL
TELL YOU, I DON'T LIKE
YOU, SO GET WISE AND
FIND YOURSELF A NEW
ORGAN GRINDER!















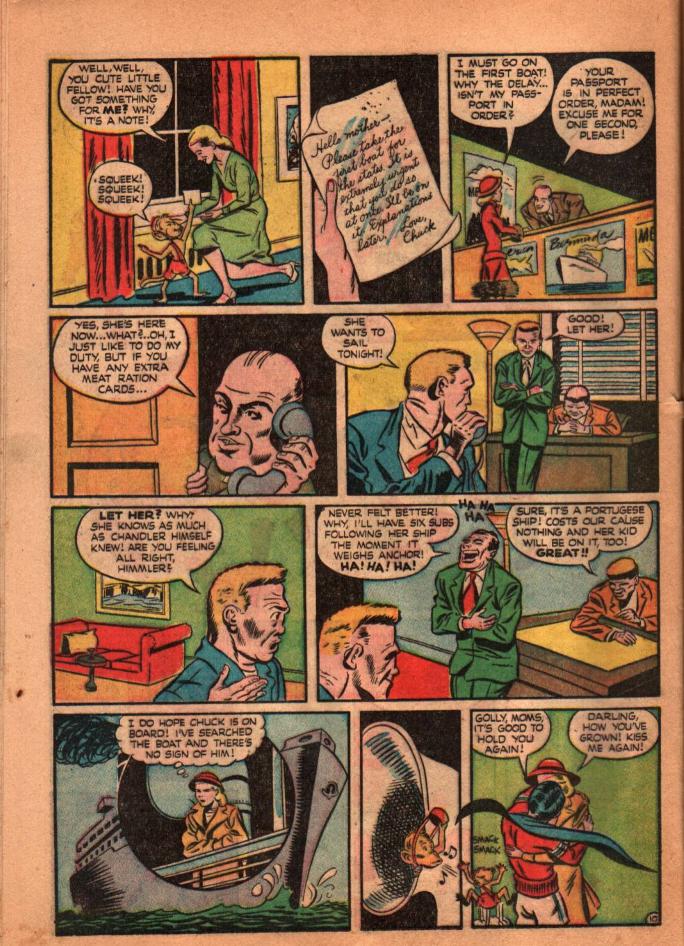
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MONKEY! I DOUBT
IF YOU CAN UNDERSTAND
ME, BUT TRY, WILL YOU?
LOOK!..TOP FLOOR, ONE,
TWO, THREE, FOUR...
GIVE THIS PAPER
TO THE LADY!

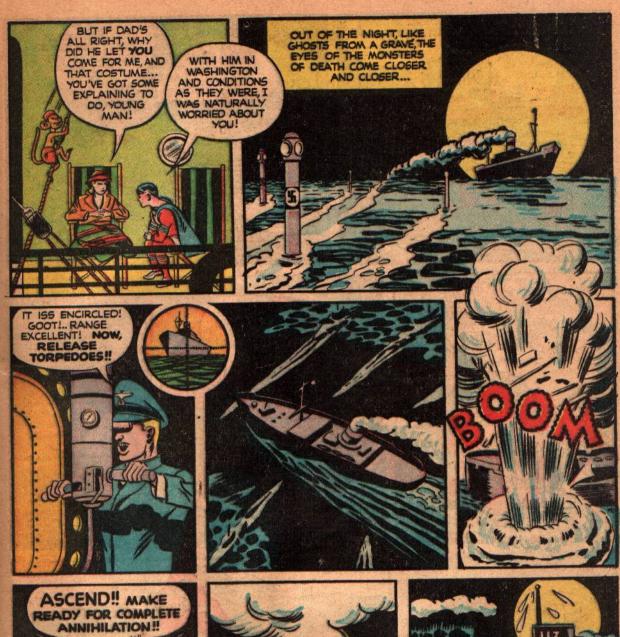
















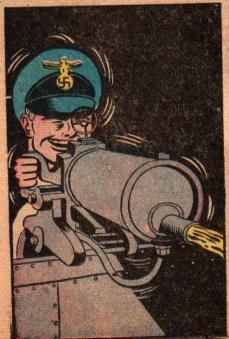






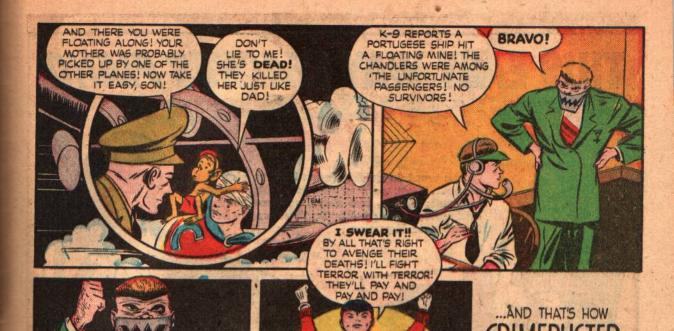












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SUBWAY SUCKERS

A Daredevil Story By RICHARD FRENCH

SAID find him, and quick!" Inspector Crandell's face was red with rage as he roared into the phone. "I want at least one man to talk to who isn't a complete idiot!"

Daredevil grinned as he slipped quietly into the detective's office. "May I inquire as to the identity of this wonderful person!"

Crandell swung around in his chair, glared at his visitor, and then growled a hasty "Never mind!" into the receiver before slamming it down. "You, you ghost! Where have you been?"

"I shall ignore the veiled insult, and thank you for the compliment," said Daredevil. But his grin faded at Crandell's next words.

"Look, I'm serious—I need your help," said Crandell. "One of my men just wound up under a subway train, dead—and he wasn't the type that might have tripped. It was murder. Those blasted subway thieves—"

"Just a minute," snapped Daredevil. His tone was cold, business-like. "Perhaps you'd better start from the beginning."

"Sorry," said Crandell. "I forgot you didn't know about it. Well, it goes like this. In the last week, there's been a wave of pickpocketing in the subways around the mid-town area. We weren't too worried at first. I put a few men on the job, but they didn't seem to do much good - the robberies went right on. Well, finally we got some of the victims who had gotten a look at the crooks to visit the Rogue's Gallery, and got identifications of several known criminals. With that to go on, we figured we'd pick them up in no time-but no soap. I had men at all the entrances and exits around town, and none of the crooks showed up. But the reports kept coming in on people's losses. I put more men on the job-in the trains, in the stations -and then tonight McCahill gets killed by a train. That's the story-and I'm asking you for ideas. Got any?"

Daredevil frowned. "No ideas—yet," he said. "But I have a suggestion. Those dips probably know most of your men—why not try my outfit on this—the Little Wise Guys? The crooks wouldn't suspect them of being dangerous."

"Great," said Crandell. "We'll give it a try tomorrow morning." At nine o'clock the next morning Pee-Wee, smallest of the Wise Guys, drew his pal Curly to a comparatively quiet corner of the crowded Mid-Town Subway station.

"Think anything's going to happen?" His eyes roved ceaselessly over the crowd as he whispered to Curly.

"I don't know," replied Curly. "All we can do is keep watching for the crooks the Inspector showed us pictures of."

"But Daredevil is over at the next station. What would we do if we did find-?"

Suddenly Curly clutched Pee-Wee's arm. "Look," he whispered tensely. "That man leaning_against the pole—isn't he one of the men whose pictures we saw?"

"He sure is," answered Pee-Wee. "And look what he's doing—he's got his hand in another man's pocket! Come on, let's grab him!"

Swiftly the two little figures slid through the crowd. As they approached the slouched figure of the pickpocket, they saw him turn to join the crowd entering a train which had just entered the station. Leaping forward as one, Pee-Wee and Curly, grabbing a leg apiece, clung to the man and set up the loudest yelling they could manage. "Thief—thief," they screamed. "Help—thief!"

The man made a desperate lunge for the door of the train, but the weight of the two boys held him back. Just out of his reach, the door slammed shut, and the train began to move out of the station. The thief turned, and with a vicious blow knocked Curly to the floor. Then, evidently afraid to take the time to dislodge his other assailant, he turned and swiftly disappeared into the crowd, Pee-Wee still clinging to him like a leech, in full view of dozens of surprised, frozen people.

An hour later Inspector Crandell's phone rang, and he scooped it up at the first sound of the bell. "Daredevil? Yeah, Crandell," he barked. "No-nothing yet. Every one of my men swears nobody answering that description came out of the subway at any point—and neither did the boy." Another phone rang. "Just a second," said Crandell. "Another call—may be something."

He lowered the phone he was holding, snatched up the other, and listened a moment. Then his face

darkened. "Why, you dirty — !" he growled. Savagely he jiggled the hook, and barked, "Trace that call!"

Turning to the other phone, he said, "Daredevil! Some so-and-so just called with a message for you. Yeah—he said to tell you to keep your nose out of this or the kid would fry. That's right—the kid would fry. Then he hung up. Hey—you still there? What? Yeah, I guess I can do that—but what's the idea? Okay—Okay! Exactly twelve o'clock, for five minutes. But what—?" Crandell hung up slowly, a puzzled expression on his face. "What is he up to now?"

Carefully avoiding the third rail, Daredevil picked his way along the subway tracks a few hundred yards from the Mid-Town station. His eyes, unused to the dim light, strained to pierce the gloom ahead.

"According to the map I saw, what I want should be right about here. Ah—right you are. Almost missed it in this darkness."

He groped his way across the tracks to where a darker cavern showed the entrance to a long out of use sidetrack, and felt his way slowly through the black dampness. A moment later, following a turn in the tunnel, he saw a tiny pinpoint of light far ahead.

"There we are," he muttered. "A good guess but it took me long enough!"

A moment later, a shadow among shadows, Daredevil stood silently in the dark — outside an old, abandoned workman's shed. From within came the murmur of voices. Daredevil glanced at the luminous dial of his wrist watch. The hands stood at one minute after twelve. "Well—here's hoping everything goes as I planned," he thought.

Inside the shack, in the glow of a single light bulb, an odd scene was taking place. Five men in shirt sleeves were grouped around a rickety table, systematically searching pocketbooks and wallets, throwing what money and valuables they found into a pile, and tossing the containers to the floor. A swarthy, heavy-set man, evidently the leader, counted the money methodically, a grin of satisfaction on his face. And in the corner, tied hand and foot to a chair, sat Pee-Wee. Around his throat, and leading through a switch on the table and then out through the wall of the shack, was a heavy coil of wire. The men, intent upon their work, had fallen into a silence broken only by the slap of the money as their leader arranged it in neat piles.

Suddenly a breeze riffled through the piles of currency, scattering the bills across the table. The heavy man cursed. "Who left the door—?" Then he stopped, his eyes bulging. For framed in the

doorway, tall and silent was Daredevil.

Several of the men at the table gasped, and instinctively started to rise, but their leader had regained his poise. "Sit down," he rasped. "Sit down and shut up!"

-Turning to Daredevil, the swarthy man grinned crookedly. "Well—I thought maybe you'd find us—so I fixed up a little surprise for you! Take a look at your little pal over there. That wire around his neck is hooked up to the third rail. One wrong move out of you, and I press this button here—and the kid fries!"

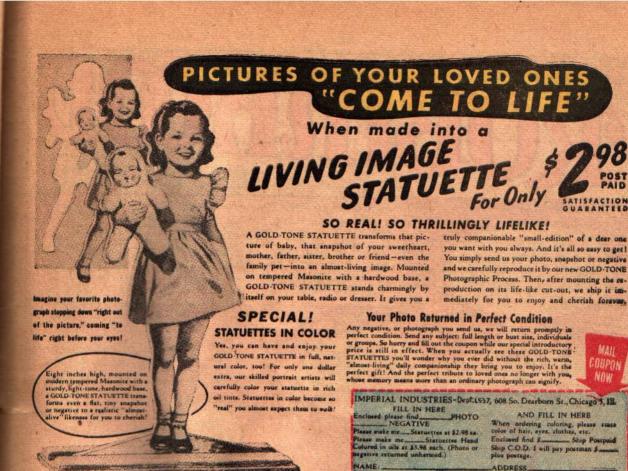
For a moment, the flicker of a smile crossed Daredevil's face as he glanced at Pee-Wee. One eyelid drooped slightly, and instantly the tight, I'm-trying-not-to-be frightened expression left the boy's face, and he relaxed. His face registered complete trust and faith.

Daredevil turned and surveyed the grinning leader calmly—and dove like a bullet into the center of the table. For a moment the leader's finger tightened on the button of the electric switch, with no effect, and then he was bowled over with the rest of his henchmen by the power of Daredevil's crashing attack!

The battle was savage, but short. Iron fists seemed to fill the air from all angles to the thieves' surprise and pain. Several of the men reached for their guns, only to feel sudden explosions in the neighborhood of their chins, and a strong desire to relax at full length—which they promptly did. In a matter of seconds, all of them had lost interest in the fight, including two who were still conscious, but wiser than their friends. They were standing in the corner with raised arms.

"Give me a hand with these characters, and we'll tie them up nicely for the police," said *Daredevil* as he untied Pee-Wee. "I'll tell you the whole story when we get back to headquarters."

"It was just a matter of following the wrong line of reasoning," said Daredevil to Crandell as he wound up his story a short time later. "All of us were trying to guess how the crooks got out of the subways-when all the time they were staying inside. But all criminals are a bit stupid-suckers for trying to be too clever. If they hadn't tried to be so smart by sending me a message, I might never have figured it out. But when they said "The kid will fry-" they tipped me off. It was an easy mental trail from subways to electrocution to the third rail. I figured there couldn't be too many places to hide in a subway, so I asked you to have the current turned off at noon, then I checked a city map of the tunnels, and that's all there is to the story. That's that-and the end of the subway suckers!"



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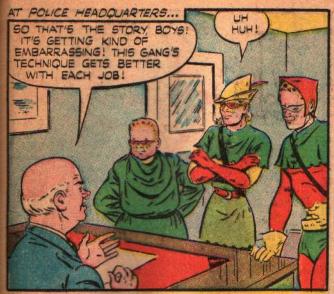
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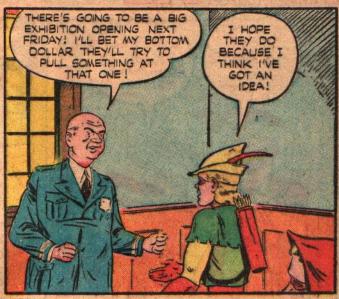


























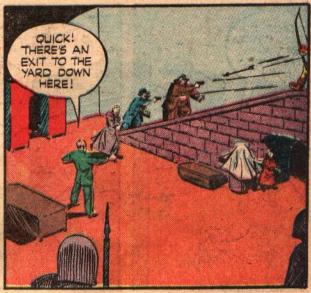




























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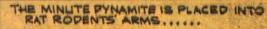




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